TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2092 - HB 2316

February 10, 2016

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Establishes the Stroke Best Practices and Treatment Guidelines Task Force (TGTF), to be comprised of at least 14 members, which shall be administratively attached to the Department of Health. Members of the TGTF shall be volunteers and thus will not be eligible for compensation or for reimbursement of expenses incurred while participating in official duties of the TGTF. Audio recordings of the meetings are required to be provided for members of the TGTF and the general public.

The TGTF, with assistance from the Department of Health and the College of Public Health of East Tennessee State University, is required to provide a progress report and preliminary recommendations to the chair of the Health and Welfare Committee of the Senate and the chair of the Health Committee of the House of Representatives by January 1, 2017.

The TGTF is further required to provide certain recommendations to the chair of the Health and Welfare Committee of the Senate and the chair of the Health Committee of the House of Representatives by July 1, 2017. The TGTF shall be abolished on June 30, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (012166): Deletes Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-1-2601(b)(7) in Section 1 of the original bill which designated one member position on the TGTF for a representative of the Tennessee Medical Association. Replaces such position with "a healthcare provider representative may be appointed from interested medical organizations including, but not limited to the Tennessee Medical Association. Deletes and replaces Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-1-2604(b) in Section 1 of the original bill, subsequently requiring that the TGTF provide certain recommendations to the chair of the Health and Welfare Committee of the Senate and the chair of the Health Committee of the House of Representatives by July 1 of each year, rather than solely on July 1, 2017. TDTF will not be abolished on June 30, 2021.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Public Chapter 1186 of the Public Acts of 2008 created the Stroke Registry Act of 2008 and required the East Tennessee State University (ETSU) College of Public Health to maintain a statewide stroke database which compiled information and statistics on stroke care.
 Hospitals were encouraged, but not mandated to provide information for this purpose.
- Based on the information provided by the Department of Health, the Tennessee Board of Regents, and the University of Tennessee, the requirements of this legislation can be performed with no significant increase in expenditures and within existing resources on such entities without increased appropriations or reduced reversions.
- Members are not eligible for compensation or reimbursement for expenditures for participation in the TGTF.
- No additional expenditures to generate audio recordings TGTF meetings.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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